

November 10, 2020

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF DAKOTA)
OFFICE OF COUNTY BOARD)

Call To Order And Roll Call

Commissioner Mike Slavik
Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord
Commissioner Thomas A. Egan
Commissioner Joe Atkins
Commissioner Liz Workman
Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg
Commissioner Chris Gerlach

Also in attendance were: Matt Smith, County Manager; James Backstrom, County Attorney; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; and Jeni Reynolds, Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board.

Due to the local state of emergency and social distancing, Commissioners participated in this meeting in a hybrid manner, via both virtual and in-person. The Board meeting was conducted under Minn. Stat. § 13D.021. Video and audio of this County Board meeting are available on the Dakota County website.

Pledge Of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Mike Slavik who welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience

Chair Slavik noted that all public comments can be sent to CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us
No comments were received.

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Approval Of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Mary Liz Holberg

Second: Thomas A. Egan

On a motion by Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg, seconded by Commissioner Thomas A. Egan, the agenda was unanimously approved.

REGULAR AGENDA

Community Services

20-559

Authorization To Increase The Maximum Allowed For Non-Profit Financial Assistance Program

Social Services Director Evan Henspeter briefed this item and responded to questions.

Motion: Thomas A. Egan

Second: Chris Gerlach

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-390 (August 18, 2020), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the Community Services Director to implement a non-profit financial assistance program; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-499 (October 13, 2020), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the expansion of the program to include the Dakota County Historical Society, Inc., and the Dakota County Agricultural Society, Inc., and expanding eligible expenses to include operating expenses, rent and/or mortgage

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payments, utilities, payments to suppliers, and other critical non-payroll expenses not covered due to COVID-19 related financial hardship, raising the program amount to up to \$50,000 for those two entities; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-533 (October 20, 2020), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized a Phase II of the program to expand eligible expenses and extend the deadline to November 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, in light of having additional dollars for this program, staff are seeking to increase the amount available to an organization from \$10,000 to \$15,000; and

WHEREAS, the additional monies would be made available to eligible organizations that submitted a complete application by the November 6, 2020 deadline, through the Non-Profit Financial Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has determined that the Non-profit Financial Assistance Program costs are necessary and a reasonable response to the COVID-19 pandemic, therefore eligible for use of CARES Act funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to increase the maximum for the Non-profit Financial Assistance Program in Dakota County from \$10,000 to \$15,000 for eligible organizations that submitted a complete application by the November 6, 2020, deadline; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this program will end immediately in the event that sufficient funds from county, state, or federal sources are no longer available to continue this program.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

County Manager's Report

- County Manager Matt Smith gave a brief update on:
Canvassing Board meets November 12, 2020 to certify the County election results.

Information

See Attachment A - Future Board Meetings And Other Board Activities

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Adjournment

Motion: Kathleen A. Gaylord

Second: Mary Liz Holberg

On a motion by Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord, seconded by Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Mike Slavik
Chair

ATTEST

Matt Smith
County Manager